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Dear Board Members,

With all the news about the strike in Denver, I didn't see anything official on the news feed about the vote in Adams 14 last night. I wanted to send you a link to this article (https://www.thedenverchannel.com/lifestyle/education/adams-14-school-board-selects-mapleton-public-schools-to-manage-troubled-district) and let you know that the Adams 14 board voted 3-2 to select Mapleton as the external management provider. The Adams 14 board first had a motion on the table to select MGT, but that was defeated 2-3.

I'm happy to talk through the details with you today. Alan Dillon and I were in attendance at the meeting last night and can provide additional context, if you'd like.

Thanks,
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Dear Board Members,

I wanted to send you a quick update on the EMO selection process in Adams 14. Lisa Medler and I attended the presentations by each of the four finalists on Saturday morning. In the afternoon, each finalist spent an hour with the local board and an hour with the community group of 15 people who have really been digging in deep to each application and weighing the pros and cons for the community. Lisa observed the afternoon interviews with the community group and I observed the local board interviews. At the end of the day, we spent a little time with the community group, answering some questions they had as they finalized their thoughts and preferences for the local board.

The local board is having a work session Monday night. Lisa and I will both be in attendance. They have asked us for the state's perspective on the ability of each applicant to meet the requirements in the order. We learned a lot this weekend, but still have quite a few questions for each applicant. We will share some of our observations to date, but will probably not have a definitive response from the CDE staff perspective. (We have been letting them know that ultimately it is your decision, as well).

Right now, the local board is scheduled to vote on their selection on Tuesday night. (I am planning to be in attendance for that as well).

We will keep you posted as we know more. They have conducted an extremely thorough and open process. There has been a large amount of community involvement and transparency thus far. It seems like community members have had multiple ways to share their perspectives throughout. And it definitely seems like it has brought the community together to focus on how they want to improve their schools.

If you have further questions, I'll be happy to talk with you on Wednesday.

Thanks,
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